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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated January 16, 2008, having a shortened statutory period expiring on April 16, 2008. Accompanying this response is a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a three month extension of time, setting a new time for response to July 16, 2008. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

No Amendments to the Specification or Drawings are presented in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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